

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) An ink jet recording element comprising a support having thereon an image-receiving layer having a thickness of 5 to 20 microns and, between said support and said image-receiving layer, a base layer having a thickness of 20 to 50 microns, both layers comprising inorganic particles and stabilizer particles in an amount of from about 10 mg/m² to about 5 g/m², said stabilizer particles being free of any organic solvent and comprising greater than about 80% by weight of a water-insoluble antioxidant and having a mean particle size of greater than about 5 nm to 500 nm, said inorganic particles comprising greater than about 50% by weight of said image-receiving layer and of said base layer, wherein ~~the greater than 50% by weight of said base layer comprises~~ inorganic particles in the base layer comprise consisting of precipitated calcium carbonate and silica gel, and wherein the base layer also contains binder in the amount of from about 5 to about 20 weight percent, and wherein ~~the greater than 50% by weight of inorganic particles in the image-receiving layer comprise~~ consist of inorganic particles selected from the group consisting of fumed silica, colloidal silica, fumed alumina, colloidal alumina, and pseudo-boehmite and wherein the inorganic particles in the image-receiving layer have a mean particle size of 50 nm to 500 nm, wherein the coating thickness of the image-receiving layer is determined such that the image-receiving layer holds ink near the surface of the image-receiving layer, above the base layer, when ink in a solvent is applied to the ink jet recording element by an ink jet printer.

Claims 2-7 (canceled)

8. (previously presented) The recording element of Claim 1 wherein said image-receiving layer also contains a binder in an amount of from about 5 to about 20 weight %.

9. (previously presented) The recording element of Claim 8 wherein said binder is a hydrophilic polymer.

10. (previously presented) The recording element of Claim 8 wherein said binder is a core/shell latex.

11. (previously presented) The recording element of Claim 1 wherein said antioxidant comprises a substituted phenol, aromatic amine, piperidine-based amine, mercaptan, organic sulfide or organic phosphate.

12. (canceled)

13. (canceled)

14. (previously presented) The recording element of Claim 1 wherein said stabilizer particle also contains a dispersant or surfactant.

15. (previously presented) The recording element of Claim 14 wherein said dispersant or surfactant is present in said stabilizer particle up to about 20% by weight.

16. (Canceled)

17. (previously presented) The recording element of claim 1 wherein the image-receiving layer has no UV absorbers for preventing light fade.

18. (withdrawn) An ink jet printing method comprising the steps of:

- A) providing an ink jet printer;
- B) providing said printer with an ink jet recording element comprising a support having thereon an image-receiving layer, having a thickness of 5 to 20 μm , for holding the ink near the layer's outer surface and acting as a sump for

absorption of ink solvent and, between said support and said image-receiving layer, a base layer having a thickness of about 20 to 50 μm , both layers comprising inorganic particles, having a mean particle size of from about 50 to 500 nm, and stabilizer particles in an amount of from about 10 mg/m^2 to about 5 g/m^2 and having a mean particle size of from about 5 to 500 nm, said stabilizer particles being free of any organic solvent and comprising greater than about 80% by weight of a water-insoluble antioxidant and having a mean particle size of greater than about 5 nm, said inorganic particles comprising greater than about 50% by weight of said image-receiving layer and of said base layer;

- C) providing said printer with an ink jet ink composition; and
- D) printing on said image-receiving layer using said ink jet ink composition.

Claims 19-20. (canceled)